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#### Nasu Offers Consultation To Members

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By Phyllis Huggins CANOGA PARK, Calif. Nasu, the Independent Users Or-ganization for System/3 Users, has moved ahead with an innovative program for a problem/solu tion data bank

lrwin Cohan, president of the group, said it is setting up a seven man consulting team to answer problems sent in by

All seven consultants are highly qualified and in effect highly qualified and in effect will give each user the benefit of his own consultant, he said. Some of the consultants are Ph.D.'s and a few are former members of the System/3 design team who have now set up their own businesses

Cohan believes this is the first time any users group has offered this type of service to its mem-

Solutions to problems will be published in Nasu's monthly newsletter. At the same time coded and stored in a data bank so there will be no danger of reinventing the wheel.

"Instead of just building a library of programs and applications, we are also building a library of problem solutions,"



I OSER? Relieve it or not this young lady didn't measure up in a computerized girl-watch-ers contest. Story on Page 4.

## Secret Report Sparks Row: Who Will Control Police Data Banks?

CW Staff Writer
WASHINGTON, D.C. - A still secret government report has touched off a bitter fight within the government on control and regulation of computerized police information systems

Federal aid of nearly \$30 million has resulted in a boom in the development of such comnuter systems, according to the

report, and by next year all but three or four states will have

Some state systems will contain data only on wanted per-sons, but others will contain intelligence information, an some will add criminal historic (rap sheets) of everyone in the ested. Most systems will be tied together into a national net

The new systems represent a serious threat to individual pri-vacy and require "stingent" new controls, according to the confi-dential report by the Law En-forcement Assistance Adminis-tration (LEAA). Controls must include strong federal laws, the report declares

FBI now have a free hand to collect and exchange data. They believe their own internal rules provide sufficient control, and have launched a strong fight against the outside control repreOther government agencies, in-cluding the Secret Service and the Internal Revenue Service are fighting the LEAA proposal be use they fear such a law might ad to other laws regulating

their operations LEAA's original proposals for tially whittled down by the top levels of the Justice Depart-ment," according to a power strong legislation were "substanment source

tained in the LEAA report is so less. Only one safeguard of indial privacy rema ins: a pers would have the right to see his own rap sheet (but not intelligence data about him).

But law enforcement officials get two benefits: the attorney general would have the right to disseminate rap sheets and intel-ligence outside the law enforcement system, and the law would rohibit penalties for the misuse of rap sheets.

Price: \$9/year.

Yet the proposed law is still too strong for some government officials, who have kept the report bottled up despite the fa that it was required by law to be

#### 'Urgent Need' for Systems

The \$30 million federal funding for the new computer sys-tems has been distributed by LEAA, and the report notes the "criminal justice system has an urgent need for computerized information and intelligence

gence systems can be ex-(Continued on Page 2)

## 360/20 Users to Get **Another Alternative**

CW Staff Writer

WALTHAM, Mass. - 360/20 users thinking of upgrading to System/3 have a good alternative Honeywell's newly announced odel 105. The \$1,700/mo Model 105. The \$1,700/mo system even boasts a bundled oftware package to translate the 20's RPG programs to Honey well RPG.

well RPG.
Filling the gap between Honeywell's Model 58 and 115, and
competitive with 1BM's System/3, the new 105 is diskoriented with Cobol and Fortran, as well as RPG availability.

The 105 comes partially un-The 105 comes partially un-bundled. Thirty days of on-site system support, 32 hours of testing and debugging, education at Honeywell sites, and software uded in the system price. Further support, debugging, and on-site education are charged to the user, a new policy for Honeywell.

The 105 is compatible with the rest of the 200 series.

The translator, called Libera-tor/20, converts the 360 RPG to a form acceptable on the 105, 115, and 115/2. Liberator/20 for card-oriented 20s will be available this Fall, and the disk sion in the first quarter of 1972.

Deliveries of the 105 will begin in the last quarter of this year, a Honeywell spokesman said. The CPU is similar to that of

the 115. Main memory cycle time is 3.5 µsec, and basic mem-ory is 16K (characters), expandable to 24K or 32K. The di

drive subsystem holds Mbytes, and can be increased to 36.8 Mbytes. Disk controllers are CPU integrated.

Two simultaneous read/write channels are standard, and a third is optional. This enables the 105 to function as a local or remote batch processing ter-

The minimum configuration in-cludes a 300 line/min printer, and a 400 card/min reader. The systems rent from \$1,600 to \$3,000 a month.

Honeywell's main selling point to 360/20 users is the ability of to 360/20 users is the ability of the 105 to run both RPG and Cobol programs. The 20 is for the most part restricted to RPG, which helps beginning users enter EDP through its simplicity. A basic 8K card-oriented 20 (submodel 1) rents for about

model 1) rents for about \$2,600/mo, while a 16K, 5 (Continued on Page 2)

# On the Inside

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#### Cuts Duplication

## **New Zealand Banks Use Utility**

ecial to Compute

WELLINGTON, New Zea-land - The Databanks Systems Ltd. of New Zealand is not only the largest computer utility net-work in all of Australasia. It is also something of a nationwide monopoly speeding interbank transactions for the country's

transactions for the country's five trading banks.

Databanks Systems is owned by the banks bemselves, is sanc-tioned by the government, and is aggressively pursuing non-bank-

Taking advantage of considerable excess computing capacity during business hours, Databanks is in computer services business. It is a formidable competitor as it can afford to sell its machine time at half the pre-vailing cost and also knows where the business is because of its banking operations.

Databanks also operates the

at computer system in New and - an IBM 360/65 in its

there and are linked with a 360/40 and 30 at the Wellington nuter centers covering the largest single customer and competitor because IBM also pre vides computer services through New Zealand. Yet w (Continued on Page 2)

## NCIC Wins in Test Case

By Edward J. Bride CW Staff Write WASHINGTON. D.C. - The FBI's well established computer network has won what appears

to be its first legal test. in a recent federal case, defendant claimed that using the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and its replies to inquiries could contribute to ar

illegal search. A federal court ruled for the government, in wski U.S. vs. Golembia According to the FBI, the de sion indicated that a car de-tained at a police station after a

The NCIC reply thus become the equivalent of "probable cause" that an offense has been committed, which is necessary before a search can be con ducted without a warrant.

In this case, a vehicle had been stopped and the driver charged with a traffic offense. The local police officer observed the veidentification number (VIN) on the dashboard as he approached the car, and re quested an NCIC check.

The policeman then caused the vehicle to be taken to the sheriff's office, based on the traffic

traffic arrest may be searched without a warrant, if NCIC re-

#### Consortium Cuts Banking DP Expenses

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Databanks started, it was 1BM
which said it could not be done.
Due to perseverance and the
energy of Gordon Hong, Databanks' managing director and
founder, the integrated approsch
to data processing for all the banks is not only working but is saving the banks money by elim-inating significant software and

#### ware duplication Decimal Converti

It all began well before July 1967 when New Zealand offi-cially changed its pounds into dollars and became a decimal currency nation. New Zealand banks faced a double problem at

One was the obvious need for systems. But these were also the days when data processing began making inroads into the coun-try's banks.

In a way the emergence of

both problems at the same time was probably responsible for the final solution in the form of a

Databanks is constantly introducing new services for the banking industry to improve its services. Recently it began a new money transfer system based on schedules of payments subject to prearranged authorization by

both the payer and the payee.

Ultimately Databanks plans to provide checkless money trans-fer for both debits and credits and above all a communications system between debtor and cred-

The most important decisi which made all this possible and simplified interbank transaction

d on a single customer number, so that all accounts for any one customer are grouped in a

single file.
Gordon Hogg, the guiding spirit of the enterprise, is openly working on extension of the automatic transfer into a checkless society environment. He envi-sions a society where everyone has access to terminals. People will then be able to buy anyare, by computerized credit.

Merchants will simply debit an account through a terminal for

ople have been taken for a ride by the computer companies long enough, there's no doubt about it." And he goes about energetically proving what can

#### **Mowing Maneuvers**

HAVANT, England — Moving the lawn is for meny just use of the chores that easing that the western may be used of the chores that easing that the western may be used to the chore that easing that the western may be used to the chore that easing the chore that easing the chores a major headache to efficiently maintain swerel thousand mail areas of as form. General easing the chore of a town control that the Solent City were of England's south coast, has a menual bit of \$55,000 to dispatch numerous lawn movers' and general that the Solent City were of England's south coast, has a menual bit of \$55,000 to dispatch numerous lawn movers' and general bit of \$55,000 to dispatch numerous lawn movers' and general bit of \$50,000 to dispatch numerous lawn movers' and general bit of \$50,000 to dispatch numerous lawn movers' and general to the solent easier to the chore of \$50,000 actuars, it is already investigating using the force of \$70,000 actuars, it is already investigating using the force of \$70,000 actuars, it is already investigating using the solent earlier to the solent easier to the sol

#### Secret Report Asks Strict Rules For Police Computer Data Banks

(Continued from Page 1) tremely valuable to the police, for example, by supplying addi-tional information quickly to clear innocent people and reduce the number of suspects in an investigation, the report

But the report also warns, "There is an equally urgent need for security and privacy for such systems to protect the constitu-tional rights of citizens." Police departments, it notes, are often "willing or even eager to share information" and computer net-

works will sharply increase the flow of shared data. These computer networks will also increase the security prob-lem. "Under a manual system, information on an individual might be obtained from a police

department by a person who had no legal right to receive such data.... But it would be an no legal right to receive such data... But it would be an impossible task to query\_every police department in the country to find one with information on that individual.

"However, putting all available information about that individual into a national computer-ized system at least solves the collection problem for the per-son improperly seeking informa-tion. If he can find a way to obtain access to the computer-ized files, then he can get everything he wants."

Intelligence data on potential Intelligence data on potential troublemakers plays an impor-tant part in police computer systems, and will be discussed next week.

#### New HIS 105 Falls Between 58, 115

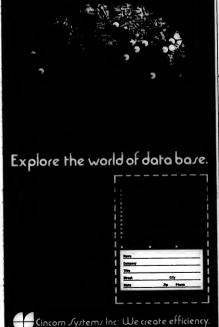
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Mbyte disk system rents for
about \$3,700/mo. An entry-level
105 with 16K, 9.2 Mbytes of
disk memory, line printer and
card reader leases for about \$1,700/mo on a one-year lease. There is no pure card-oriented

RPG II, a more modern version than the 360/20 uses, but Sys-

tem/3 does offer conversational

A System 3/10 with 16K, 9.8 Mbytes of disk (maximum on the 3), 300 line/min printer, and a multifunction card unit which reads 250 card/min and prints 60 card/min, rents for \$1,740. Prices on the CPU are \$25,870

to \$57,200, depending on mem-ory size, and the basic disk subsystem costs \$20,460.





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#### Lack of Funds Cited

## N.Y. Vetoes DP School Bill office would continue to investi-gate computer schools.

ALBANY, N.Y. - Strict regulation of computer schools was vetoed last week by Governor Nelson Rockefeller on the inds that the state did not

grounds that the state did not have the money or manpower required to police the schools. The regulation would have equired school to clear their ad-vertising with the Commissioner of Education, and would have required the schools to post

a23,000 bond.
The bill was unusually broad, covering "schools offering computer training in such areas as clerical, keypunching, programming, computer operation, systems analysis, computer repair

vice."

Computer schools would have been placed under the control of the Department of Education, and in his veto message the governor noted that the department had recommended veto because of the "absence of budgetry support." No one at the department would amplify on the computer, statement.

department would amplify on the governor's statement. Assistant State Attorney Gen-eral Stephen Mindell, who wrote the proposed law, said he was continuing to receive complaints from students about closings of computer schools, and that legis-lation in this area is "vitally" needed. Despite the veto, he said, his

Under the proposed law, the Department of Education would also have been required to approve curriculum and equipment of the schools.

or the schools.

Computer school directors and teachers would have been required to have state trade school director must have five years of professional experience and take a 15-hour course from the State Department of Education.

Teachers are required to have passed four education courses, but can get temporary teaching permits as long as they take one education course per year.

#### News Wrapup

Location Debate Stalls DP Funds

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Papils Use DP Class to Educate Shoppers

JACKSON, Mich. – Although local grocery stores may not be posting unit prices, students in a computer science class at Parkside High School are moving to help consumers shop comparatively. Beent Wille and Jim Neison have devised a chart involving 1,300 calculations concerning prices and ounces. By glancing at the chart, shoppers can determine which items are economical. The students plan to distribute copies of the chart through usgemarkets.

House Swap' Suggested as Pollation Solution WHEATON III. If everyone walked to work, air pollution and traffic congestion would be reduced significantly, claims James Ashenhurst. To make this possible, he is planning to offer a computerized "house swapping" service to enable people to relocate

Eastera Doctors Get Ou-Line Reference Tool SYRACUSE, N.Y. - Medical libraries in the Eastern U.S. have an on-line reference tool in the central computer at the state university

nere. Twenty-two such terminals are connected by telephone lines to the university's Biomedical Communication Network headquarters where more than 1.3 million articles and citations in books and other publications are listed in the data bank.

Using the system, doctors and researchers obtain up-to-date repties as they need them, not two weeks later, as occurred previously.

mts, Not Computer, Schedule Courses WALNUT CREEK, Calif. - It may be the computer age, but students at Amador High School would rather make their own course schedules than have them processed by computer as in the

past. Students have made up their master schedules for the coming school year, and will confirm their choices of teachers and hours during a two-day session in the gymnasium, where they will talk with the faculty. This method is expected to result in happer sudents and less expense to the school, according to Principal Nell Sweeney.

Computer Delves into District's Dog Dilemma

Compares 198702 and 1987 Marian 2018 Maria

'Data Paach' Pal Sends Sympathy Message

MONTREAL Computers seem to have a "instensity" of sorts.
After the Sun Life Assurance Co. here told policy holders their
electre would be answered by humans, not by computer, the
company received a packet of punched cards. When processed,
message from Computer 601-001-001 expressed corrow that "life for
you may not be as full and rewesting as it is for no." It also invited
the Sun Life computer to become "data pendie" page.

imputer Pro-64 Engineering

#### NCIC Record Ruled as 'Probable Cause

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offense. While there, the officer
received his reply from NCIC,
revealing that the vehicle was
listed in the computer as stolen.
The FBI was notified, and the ane FBI was notified, and the arresting officer and the FBI agent searched the vehicle. Evidence found in this search was used in the prosecution for violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, with the defendant being convicted. Appealing the verdict, the de-fendant said two distinct and illegal searches had been made, and claimed the trial court had erred in allowing presentation of

searches.

The first illegal search, he claimed, was when the officer copied the VIN from the dashoard. The second, he claimed, occurred when the two police

officials searched the car at the sheriff's office. Copying the VIN was declared legal, as it was "clearly visible" to the officer when he ap-proached the car, the FBI re-

The examination of the car was

The examination of the car was declared legal because it was based on "probable cause," which had been supplied by the NCIC report.

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By Thomas J. Morton rial to Computerwo

CHICAGO - It has finally happened. Now America's map-pened. Now America's map-favorite and least understood spectator sport, girl watching, has been computerized.

Unfortunately, more enthu-siasm than programming skills went into the computer room,

One hundred and five girl watchers here were asked to submit specifications on "The Girl I would Like to Watch Best," and an IBM 360/50 was to have come up with the alpha-numerics of Miss Best Girl To

watch.
The "walk-by" was conducted
on Michigan Ave., drawing a
goodly crowd of both the seasoned girl watching professionals
as well as tyros and amateurs to
the sport. A group of six judges
was to have selected the winner.
Girls did not have to enter the

by.

Seven young ladies in various stages of the latest mini-fashions were corralled by eager recorders as possible winners.

No one won. The computer, analyzing the 105 submitted written specifications, stated with "infallible accuracy and impersonal objectivity" that, to 

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#### Computer and Poet

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LOS ANGELES, Calif. – Jackson

MacLow, distinguished poet, and Information International Corp. (II) have mation International Corp. (II) have teamed together to create poetry as part of a Los Angeles County Art Museum program on art and technology. MacLow is a "chance" poet, one who assembles groups of words and ideas and then selects the parts randomly.

A Poem

The earth turns, the moon shines. The stars shine.

The moon shines.

The streams flow. The rain fells

The oceans fall, the oceans rise

The snow falls.
The wind blows. The river flows . .

An "artist in residence" at the comp poems during this period, each one of them constructed differently.

To add a dimension to the poems, II pu o unit on its display system s that while the computer was randomly selecting the parts of the poems and displaying them on the CRT unit, the

#### Illinois Units Hits \$6 Million Underuse Of Computer Centers

By a CW Staff Writer SPRINGFIELD, Ill. - A state finance SPRINGFIELD, III.—A state imance department study of computer operations at the 13 major Illinois state universities showed 56 million of an annual \$20 million equipment rental expense is being wasted, according to the acting director of the state finance department, John W.

McCarter, Jr.

An investigation by the finance department was made at the request of Rep.
David J. Regner (R-Mt. Prospect), chairman of the house appropriations committee

The majority of the \$6 million the study revealed, is caused by rentals of allegedly unused equipment. Northern illinois University at DeKalb, the finance director stated, showed a 70% use of its

rented equipment.

He credited the waste to the lack of central planning or control over acquisi-tions and use of computers at the 13 major campuses. His study team had difficulty finding accurate lists of equipdifficulty finding accurate asta of equip-ment on the campuses, Regner stated. State universities in Illinois include the University of Illinois at Champagne-Urbana, the site of the development of

The state board of higher education h frozen computer acquisitions for the next six months, pending review of the campus situation by the board's staff in conjunc-tion with outside consultanta.

Illiac III and Illiac IV.

#### 31/4 Years for Hospital System

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - Carraway Methodiat Hospital here has completed phase one of its computer-based patient-care hospital information system, when admissions, discharges, transfers, and reser-vations were placed on a computer sys-

Three and a half man years were spent in developing this phase of the hospital'a overall program, according to local of-

Ultimately, the goal is to have computer terminals on all nursing stations.

## Chances Are, the Poems Will Be 'Chance'

lines of poetry. For example, the longer the series of characters, the deeper the audio to

longer the duration of the tones.

According to MacLow, his poems created a 
"pipe organ-like" music. John Hanson, director of programming at II, said the real work 
of art was watching the artist seated at the 
display console in a darkened room with the 
poems being created live before him on the 
CRT and accompanying music in the background. "It was a beautiful, stunning effect," 
said Hanson.

Poetry has been generated by computer before, but it was by technicians using technology to product "art" resembling results. This is probably the first case of a poet bridging the gap of technology and using it to create his own form of poetry.

resulted is shown by excerpts: Dazzling biologists diagrammed donnbunny

Determined pigs feathered linnaen linterils. A dashing highwayman dealt with funny

A distracted vintener sailed phantasmic pet-Disgusting fictions coaxed loony fishes

Dian Warkoski silvered playing lions sin-

A director filed dead Schnauzers hyster-Decent people picked real mountebanks as

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#### To Prevent War?

# Researchers Use DP to Assemble, Correlate War Data

special to Computerworld ANN ARBOR, Mich. – Since 1821, only 24 years were with-out a war, says a computer-gen-erated study of war that will be soon published in book form. The study indicates 93 wars were fought between 1916 and

Tremetage reform

The purpose of the study is to determine predictable factors of wars, base root causes and consequences so a computer can be used to predict warfare-like tencies by an analysis of the current factors of any given group of people, explained project leader J. David Singer, University of Michians. versity of Michigan.

Wars should be predictable in the same manner as storms, Singer said. In time, the researcher noted, wars could be prevented by knowing how they start and moving to prevent the build-up of factors that tead to the shoot-

ing.

Mathematics and computer
analysis is being used in this
study because of criticism that
social science research is "fuzzy"
and lacks "scientific rigor,"

Some Unstifled Criticism But the researcher contends that the use of computers has not stifled all criticism. There is a controversy developing that claims something as complex as

war and its root causes cannot be reduced to simple numbers, he noted.

he noted.

Singer admits some sublety and "some of the complexities" are lost with quantitative analysis, but maintains that previous research on war adds up to "942 linear feet of delightful and plausible speculation on the causes and the consequences of war, and there's not a damn shred of reproducible evidence." The researchers have produced a statistical picture of war, determining.

A total of 144 nations spent a 4,500 "nation months at and suffered 29 million battle deaths, not including civil

imperiat, one every 3.5 years. · There were 6.2 wars in the average decade, with peaks in the volume of war every 20

 Most wars began in spring or autumn, generally April or October, but the longest and bloodiest wars all began in summer months.

mer months.

• Europe was the area most prone to war, with the Middle East running second.

• England and France were tied for fighting the most wars (19), with France losing more than her neighbor across the channel.

comparable picture of other social, economic, and political conditions and events to determine which are most regularly associated with periods and places having the huberland the Behavioral factors are also being studied. These were the hardest to equatte to quantitative analysis, and required complex programming using code numbers for each kind of action, Singer said.

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computer company heads and one inventor were the only com-puter people to contribute mo-than \$25,000 to political cam-paigns in 1968, according to a list compiled by the Citizen's Research Foundation, Princeton,

N.J.

The chief surprise on the list is
Dr. Manfred Clynes, director of
the Biocybernetic Laboratory at
Rockland (N.Y.) State Hospital,
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# DPers Among Political Contributors

Times he made his money through the invention of medical computers, and that his "first and only political contribution was for peace."

Other contributors were

Sam Wyly, president, Univer-sity Computing Co., \$100,000 to Republicans.

Arthur K. Watson, as chairman, IBM World Trade Corp., \$54,875 to Republicans.

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Corp., \$30,000 to Democrats.
Thomas J. Watson Jr. as chairman IBM, \$28,875 to both

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#### Editorial

#### Object Lesson

Minding your own business exclusively can be hazardgus for your business - and expensive for others.

DP people, both in service bureaus and in in-house installations, tend to think of their work in terms of processing information for others. It doesn't necessarily occur to them that others are depending on them to process the information in a legal manner.

The Federal Trade Commission has found that a

number of merchants are violating the Truth in Lending Law because they depended on their DP people to see their billing was legal. The DP people, apparently, expected that the users of their services would ask for changes when they were required by law.

Technically, the DP people may be right. But ethically they are wrong. And there is a good possibility that some of them will lose their jobs or customers before the chest settles.

It pays to mind your customers' business as well as your own.



#### Letters to the Editor

#### **Hospital Cites Sharing Efforts**

I read with great interest the article "DP Sharing Cuts Hospital Costs" (CW, June 9). The sharing discussed in your article is a large contribution to reduction of hospital costs.

We, in the Chicagoland ares, have been sharing in the manner suggested in your article, but have been at it about a year longer than the Philadel-

is nospitals. dacheal Memorial Hospital in Berwyn, III., has a mputer installed which it shares with Illinois assonic Medical Center in Chicago. The hospital we an 1,100 combined bed total. Much coordina-te in the property of the control of the control on has been exercised so that the two hospital are in systems development effort as well as mouster time.

Thomas W. Bradiey, Director Systems & Data Communications

MacNeal Memorial Hospital

Pl Sert 2's Minimum is 24K.
We were certainly pleased to find that Alan Taylor (The Taylor Report, June 16 found that Our Ft Sort 2 substantially outperforms 18M's 483 Sort. However, the minimum configuration for Ft Sort 2 is 24K, not 50K as was suggested. In addition, Prospential Sort of 1 (compatible with 18M's 450 Sort) which substantially outperforms the 450 Sort both above a stantially outperforms the 450 Sort both above.

1 (competible with IBM\* 430 Sort) which sub-stantially outperforms the 430 Sort both above and below 50K bytes. The statement, "... P! Sort will not help those people who are wanting the best disk sort that they can get for free ..." is definitely true, and I can safely predict that Programmatics will not have any relief for those people in the foreseeable

David E. Ferguson President

Programmatics, Inc. Los Angeles, Calif.

Taylor replies: The question is, however, just how for below Sox partitions does It Sort outperform 437: As reader Spyridon Auplota pointed out, his tests at 32% indicated no clear result, leading him to the conclusion that "the new norts are not written with an execution partition or even 32% in minds" [CW, June 39]. And, as erformance is concerned I concur were though the nort may function the

#### Reader Suggests Isert for 2314s

In the June 30 Letters to the Editor, three out of seven people indicating their need of SM-450 support also expressed their desire to have SM-450

support 2346. expresses 18, IBM had many support 2346. Back around DOS Release 18, IBM had many 2346 installed and 5M-483 was not yet available; as a temporary measure an interim sort was made with the sort was laort and outwardly was identical to sort was laort and outwardly was identical to

The installation I was with at the time ran Isort or about six months without any problems that I

I'm not sure who, if anyone, might still be unning lsort, but it seems that it might be of value to some of the smaller-core 2314 shops. Paul J. Horak

Ticketren Pussed OTB's Tests

Flüctree Passed OIB's Tests
in the "Computer Betting Strat, Ticketron
Entern Race" story (CW, June 30) a reader may
construe rentricions and performance characterman and the strategy of th

room's tennical specimes and reasonity of Telefren's technical star. Teletron's terminal is section. Both numerous tests and long operating experience in the field confirm that this is not a mere conjecture. The system is need to be the confirm that this is not a mere conjecture. The system is need to say evaluable to say runsher of the properties of Telestron's system is superior to any evaluable to they. The testing another to the confirmation of the confirmation of the confirmation of the confirmation will be in the testing another on the confirmation of th

Ticketron, Inc.

#### 3735 Has April Delivery Date

In an article on programmable terminals, it was stated that the IBM 3735 Programmable Buffered Terminal "would not be delivered until the end of stated that the IBM 3735 Programmable Buffered Terminal "would not be delivered until the end of 1972" [CW, June 23].

As we said when the 3735 was announced, first customer shipments are scheduled to begin in

White Plains, N.Y.

imputersorid welcomes comments from its siders. Letters should be addressed to: Editor, imputerworld, 797 Washington St., Newton, se. 02160.

#### Bill Seeks to Data Bank All U.S.-Funded Research

WASHINGTON, D.C. — With invasion of an individual's pri-vacy being one of the hottest issues on Capitol Hill these days, the words "data bank" have

the words "data bank" have fallen into ill repute.

The words connote an insidi-ous invasion into the thoughts, ideas and personal lives of pri-

Data-Line

vate citizens.

But data banks, of co not all bad, and now an Illinois congress-man is askman is ask-ing the House of Representa-tives to By Alon Drattell

consider ap-proving es-tablishment of a nation-al research data bank.

data bank. Rep. Har-old R. Col-lier (R-III.) believes the public should know

believes the public should know where its money is going. In fiscal 1972, which began July 1, the Federal Government will provide \$11.7. billion for research programs.—fiscal 1971, Collier says. And many of the programs, he seserts, show costly overlapping between govern-mental agencies, private corpora-tions, foundations, universities and individuals.

tions, foundations, universities and individuals and individuals and individuals and individuals and individual properties of the properti

setimes the mystery of how and by whom con-

cerning research money appropriated by Congress becomes a major research project in itself.

"Year after year Congress has been saked to approve the funding of new ventures in research more thoroughly until there is a systematic way of maintaining and using the information that has already been proposed to the same of the same o

gathered at federal expense."
Collier's bill, H.R. 8732, called
the "National Research Coordination Act of 1971," would
authorize the U.S. Comptroller General to develop and maintain a standard national depository a standard attention depictory
stating to research programs conducted with federal assistance.
The pian shoo calls for pubtaining a summary of all information and data stored in the
bank except for material that
Section 4 of the bill provides
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and its objectives. for all information and data re-

research being utilized, and the expenditure patterns.

• Provide additional financial information, including current authorizations and appropriations of funds, the obligations incurred for past years, the current amount of unobligated balances, other non-federal source of assistance including amounts, and other pertinent financial information.

Identify the appropriate of-ficals who are administering the

program.

• Identify any closely related

Identify any closely related programs; and
 Provide any other informa-tion which the Comptroller General may feet is necessary "to a complete understanding of the scope and purpose of the research program."

## After Taking Orders, IBM Cuts 155 Internal Speeds

summer, the 370/155 was the clear leader of the fleet. It had a remarkably powerful performance. And it had clear signs that to

signs that it was a real Report
By
Alan Taylor, CDP machine not a paper

Demonwere prom-ised only two or three months af-ter the an-

nouncement. Deliveries were promised for nine months. And ises were kept.

But now the question is what was demonstrated, and what was delivered as a result of all the orders obtained during this pe-

the 370/155 has been one of the most successful machin most auccessful machines. Judging by the reports of EDP Industry Report, the respected sister publication of Computer-world, by April some 865 of these machines had been or-dered.

And yet, at that time, there were no performance lists for the 155 officially released to

customers.
Even though it had been delivered in February!
Even though it had been demonstrated last August! Even
though the internal performance
of the system is the key measure
of a computer!

puter Did Users Care?

Now that is not to say that all these millions of dollars worth IBM 🚴

of equipment were ordered with-out some consideration of the performance. It is to say that IBM did not officially give them

to the automers.

The facts were boldly stated in a memorandum from the Head-quarters Field System Center in Mr. J. Beckerleg wrote: "No instruction Intimal sheets were included in the System 370 these are attached for your way. The state of these are attached for your way. The state of the to the customers.

of these times may be given to customer and included in pro-posals but the attached list should not be released."

The attached list of instruction times was then provided by IBM to be used to persuade customers to order the 370/155, although the corporation was not prepared to let the customer have the lists.

#### When the Orders Were in

Curious as this policy appears, it became even more curious in May this year when a technical newsletter was issued with the official times. The phrasing was somewhat different, the new one being in microseconds, and the other having been in machine

other having been in machine cycles.

(The 155 machine cycle is .115 usec, so that the numbers have to be multiplied out accord-

ingly.)
The first instruction listed was the ADD instruction. This was given as being 7 machine cycles originally, and so would have been expected to be .805 µsec.

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July 8, 1970 Dept. H74 – Bldg. 985 P.O. Box 390 Poughkeepsie, N.Y. 12602 Tele: (914) 488-7118 or tie line: 255-7148

SUBJECT: Instruction Execution Timings for System/970 Model 155

MEMO TO: SE & 1 Manag

MAMO I'U: St. & I Managers

No instruction iming charts were included in the System/570
Model 155 manuals at announcement time. Preliminary copies
of these are attached for your use. They have already been
distributed to the Regional Froduct Marketing people. This is
the best information available at this time. TNL's will be made
available shortly firming this up and converting the timings to
microsecoular stather than CPU cylindry.

These are not labeled IBM Confidential but you should use them with discretion and disclose this information only to those people with a need to know. Selected quotes of these times may be given to customer and included in proposals but the attached list should not be released. Any questions on this information should be directed to Bob Shomler (914) 485-7139 or the line: 295-7139.

I. Beckerles

cc: FSC Managers Mr. R.W. Sho

Mr. R.K. Sturcken

Figure 2. Bookerieg's letter of July 8, 1970 instructing IBM non-confidential data to be kept out of the hands of customers, but used for proposels etc. The TNL referred to was published 10 months later, in May, 1971 and the timings generally were slower than Bockerieg quoted. Letter neset for purposes of distript.]

some 24%i

The next instruction, another ADD this time register-to-register, was originally 4 machine cycles, or .460 µsec.

cycies, or .400 µssc.

This is a particularly interesting case, because there is no problem here about having to estimate the length of time it takes to get an item out of storage. The operands here are in the registers already so it is a very straightforward hardware function.

However, again the "New" Model 155 is slower than the original one with the time at 499 µsec. Not so much slower this time, only about 7% - but

still slower The next instruction on the lists was the ADD decimal. It was also slower now.

#### Analysis Started

By the time I found these points I was getting interested. So much so that I stopped doing the instruction-by-instruction

So much so that I stopped doing the instruction-by-instruction examination, because this is always liable to produce a lop-sided point of view.
Instead I started off doing classes of instruction by classes of instructions, I took the deemal instructions, which are so used in the most office of the control of the control

taken or not. And then I took other classes, like those that originally had taken three machine cycles, then four, five, six, seven, eight, nine,

#### eleven and twelve. Most Cases Sloweri

I worked out in each case the old and the new 155 timings. There was one case — with 8 machine cycles — where the old machine cycles - where the old ones were slightly slower than the new ones. In every other case they were considerably slower in the new timings. The results are shown in figure 1.

Which just raises the question, wonder what the 155 will perform when it is delivered.

#### And I wonder how anyone can User's Stake \$4,200 Not \$5,000

INFO 3-3-JULVI
In the Teylor Report "If
These Terms Are Fair,
Users Should Look Elsewhere" June 23, the terminon charges that users have
to pay to IBM if they opt out
during a fixed-tarm lease were
wrongly computed on the full
rental figures, rather than on
the reduced fixed-term rental
figure.

As a result, the charges were shown nearly 20% higher than they are. In perticular, the \$5,000 rental termination charge for an IBM 2319 should have been \$4,200.

should have been \$4,200. However, as the amount is still larger than \$3,840, the meximum amount that a user can gain on the fixed-term lesse, this mistake did not affect the argument that the odds – set by IBM – suggest that in fact it is more likely than not that a money conscious user will find better values outside IBM. The error is regretted.

Instruction Types	Instructions Used	Performance Difference (%		
Decimal Instructions (5 digit operands)	Add, Subtract Multiply, Compara	16 Slower		
Branches Not Taken	BALR, BCR, BC,	11 Slower		
Branches Tekan	BCTR, BCT, BXHE BXLE	24 Slower		
3 Cycle Instructions	ALR, CR, CLR, LR, LTR, LNR, SLR	15 Slower		
4 Cycle Instructions	AR, LA, SR	8 Slower		
5 Cycle Instructions	AL, C, CLI, L, SPM, SL, SI	23 Slower		
6 Cycle Instructions	NI, XI, IC, OI	52 Slower		
7 Cycle Instructions	A, NR, XR, LNER, LPER, LE, MVI, OR, SSM, S	10 Slower		
8 Cycle Instructions	LTER, LDR, LNDR, LPDR, LER	(6) Fester		
9 Cycle Instructions	N, BAL, X, LTDR, LCER, LD, O	Slower		

Figure 1. Table shows the difference between the instructions originally authorized by IBM for release to customers a inclusion in proposals for the System 370/155, and the instruction times of the same systems as published by IBM in Min. ers an

Oh - and if you think IBM stands behind its proposals to its customers, you should just look at the typical IBM contract forms. If proposals are mentioned - they are specifically ex-cluded as being any part of the agreement!

tell whether his 155 will really teur wnetner his 135 will really be giving him the performance that he is paying for, when IBM is able to change its published instruction times after taking or-

is this another type of conis that another type of con-cealed price increase that we have to put up with? Why do businessmen allow million dollar pieces of equipment to be de-

when our wives ha graded, when our wives have been able to stop supermarkets pulling the same trick on dollar lterms?

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#### First Latin American Exposition

#### Mexico City to Host Five Day DP Meet

By a CW Staff Writer
MEXICO CITY - A five-day
computer exposition scheduled
here at the end of the month
includes three days of technical

incuses three days of technical sections of the first harmonic as to take place July America is take place July Random Access Forum July 27-29, All events take place at the Camino Real Hotel this continuous days of the Camino Real Hotel this continuous days of the Largest U.S. manufacturers, have signed up for booth space, and the public at no charge.

The technical forum is divided into three segments by intended audioner. Corporate Securities.

ons for corporate ex-The sessions for corporate ex-ecutives will include a luncheon address by Patrick McGovern, president of International Data Corp. His address will concern

#### Societies/ User Groups

the development of computer usage in America, and its im-plications for Latin America. Fee for the high-level manage-

Fee for the high-level manage-ment seminar is 2756.

The Systems seminar, for EDP managers, will cost \$144, and will feature lectures on applica-tions of current technology, in-

cluding time-sharing, graphics, optical scanning, and numerical control for industry.

The general-interest portion ("applicable science"), which will feature discussions on computer assisted instruction, engineering apple and mathematical models for management, will cost \$72.

Simultaneous translation

will cost \$772.

Simultaneous translation equipment will he used during the lectures. Attendees will be given special rates at the Camino Real Hotel, if they mention the exposition in their communica-

tions.

More information is available from Exhibition Management Inc., 40 West Ridgewood Ave., Ridgewood, N.J. 07450.

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#### **Cost Effectiveness** Topic of ACM Seminar

CHICAGO - A management seminar entitled "Computing Today: the Profit Crisis" will be conducted by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) at the conclusion of its national convention

in August.

The two-day seminar, Aug. 6-7, will be given at the Conrad Hillon Hotel.

The seminar will provide lectures and workshops to give "real answers and practical solutions" to the problems of keeping computer operations profilated.

Dr. Anthony Ralston, chairman of the computer deportment of the State University of the Computer deportment of the State University of the Computer deportment of the State University of the Computer deportment at Buffalo, with other days of the Computer deportment of the State University of the Computer deportment of the Comput

data communications and system per-formance measurement.
Dr. Robert Rector will chair the Satur-day session, which will deal with personnel evaluation and training, the bottleneck of "input economics," data security, and software buying. Fee schedules and other information are available from ACM at 1133 Arenue of the Americas, New York, 10024.

#### Ifip 71 Doing Well

NEW YORK - Preliminary advance registration figures for Ifip (International Pederation for Information Processing) Congress 71, to be held in Ljubljana, Congress 71, to be held in Ljubujans, Yugoslavia, August 23-28, reveal the U.S. and U.K. lead in registrants – followed by Hungary as a surprisingly close third. Of the 1,500 advance registrants to date, a little over 10% are from Hungary.

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The pace of advance registration, according to Ifip officials, is ahead of the last Ifip Congress. Ifip can be contacted through Box 4197, Grand Central Post Office, New York, 10017.

#### Dinitronics Users Group To Hold 6th Appeal Conclave

TYSONS CORNER, Va. - The Digi-tronics Users Association (DUA) will hold its 6th Annual Conference here on Oc-tober 18th and 19th.

tober 18th and 19th.
The agenda includes serbinars on the impact of point-of-sale data acquisition on retailers, wholesalers and manufacturers, maximum utilization are achieved to the compact of the control of the coupling and inferconnect, data communications systems organization, and a presentation of the potential problems of incompatibility among the new digital settoucta.

Among the panelists are: Harry Schrei-ber Jr., Bernard Strassberg, James L. Clark, and Donald L. Dittberner.

July 14, 1971

#### Random Notes

#### IBM Will Give 155 Users Free 7070/7074 Emulator

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. - IBM will dd 7070/7074 OS emuletion to the 370/155 through e no-cherge progrem scheduled to be available in the first If of 1972.

The emuletor will provide tepe for metting progrems for converting 7070/7074 tape files into standerd OS formet and will require a minimum partition of 188K bytes on the 155.

GTE T/S Boasts APL Version
WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. – GTE Dete
Services hes added a new version of
APL/380 to its timeshering capabilities. Celled APL-X8, it allows users to nites. Called APL-X8, it allows users to access SC compatible disk files of the control of the control of the control of the disk, Alegorate edit feature allows users to edit numeric detta end generate reports in up to one-tenth the time previously required, GTE said. The service cost \$11/hr connect me and \$\$\frac{2}{3}\text{min}\$ for additional CPU time. GTE Data Services is at 2 Corporate Park Drive, 10604.

Payables Package Runs on P-350s

NEW YORK - Philips Business NEW YORK — Philips Business
Systems Inc. hes an accounts payable
package for users of P-350 minis.
The package is said to enable smell
and medium size businesses to exercise end medium size businesses to exercise control over expenses with routines for posting vendor end distribution ledgers, preparing vouchers end checks, end compiling mensgement reports. The softwere prepares e deliy total sheat of debits, credits, discounts end checks written. Philips is at 100 E. 42 St., 10017.

#### **CSS Packages Aid Engineers**

STAMFORD, Conn. — Two new civil engineering packages are now available on the National CSS timesharing net-

The Ingo (Integrated Geometry) system developed by Omnidate Ser-rices Inc. can identify, store, retrieve

vices Inc. can identify, store, retrieve end compute points, bearings, end ele-vations for mapping, road and bridge design, subdivision layout, and related two and three dimension problems. The Sewnet package, elso from Om-nideta, is for designing, cost esti-mating, and profile plotting of senitary sewer systems. Netional CSS Inc. headquetrated at 460 Summer St.,

**EMR Has Seismic Enhancement** MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. — EMR Computer's Executive Job Processor package is for geophysicists enalyzing

seismic data.

The package, an enhancement to Seismic Processing System (SPS) is available free to eil EMR 8000 SPS users from 8001 Bloomington Free-way, 55420.

#### HIS Has Scheduling Systems

WELLESLEY HILLS, Mass.—The Honeywell Production Scheduling and Control System I (PSC/I) provides scheduling, loading, control and re-porting capabilities for manufacturing

porting capacities for instructioning users. The system operates with an HIS 115 CPU or lerger. A second system, PSC/II, operates with HIS models 1015 through 4200 and also has Pert scheduling capabilities. It requires 98K with tape, disk, ard reader, and printer i onfiguration on the 1015. in minimun

#### 30% Less Core Needed

## ADR Claims 'Roscoe' Superior to CRJE

By Don Leavitt
"RINCETON, while with a potential users of remote batch processing on the 360 can use IBM's Conversational Remote Lob Entry (CRE) system, a much better choice might be the Remote OS Conversational Operating Energy (CRE) (CRE)

ADK recently spent three months com-paring the two systems.

Both packages were tested on ADR's 360/50. The characteristics enalyzed by ADR Included facilities needed, ease of use, core and disk requirements, oper-

ase, core and disk requirements, operating speeds, degradation of the operating system and cost factors.

The study found that Roscoe and CRJE

have 19 lacilities in common. CRJE has seven features for which Roscoe has no counterpart, but Roscoe has 20 unique

features.

ADR recognized the CRJE PL/1 scanner as significant, but said its other features are "essentially programmer conveniences." Roscoe features include the Basic

iences." Roscoe features include free seatures and integrated to Dool systax checker and object moment productivity and make the system attractive to non-programmers.

The study indicated Roscoe normal required 30% less core and 60% less disk space. A Roscoe system without syntax to the checkers supporting five terminals requires 50K bytes, ADR calimed, while a comparable version of CRE requires 50K.

Direct Access storage is more flexible under Roscoe, ADR said, since active files can reside on disk, drum or data cell versus CRJE's disk only.

versus CRJE's disk only.

A Roscoe system will use only half of a 2314 disk pack to store 400,000 acts astements, whereas CRJE takes a pack statements whereas CRJE takes a pack ADR claims that IBM has stated that CRJE will degrade batch processing operations by 20%, but estimated that Roscoe degrades the same operations by only 10%. Conversely both systems will themselves to degraded by heavy background serves to degraded by heavy background

batch processing.

Partly because CRIE operates as a system task while Roscoe runs as a conventional job, Roscoe will tend to degrade

tional job, Roscoe will tend to deglade more than CRJE.

Another factor causing greater degrada-tion of Roscoe lies in the fact that CRJE's AFIO access method generates channel programs composed of chained I/O commands.

ADR said that actual costs of operating the two systems eight hours a day at a medium-sized installation were in the range of \$3,300/mo for Roscoe and \$6,500/mo for CRJE. These figures took o account the differences in core and disk utilization in the Roscoe figure as a

## Johnson Gives DOS/360 Users System Utilization Package

McLEAN, Va. - DOS/360 users have another reporting package for studying system utilization statistics developed by DOS Version 25. The DOS Job Accounting Report System is available from Johnson Systems

Data analysis of DOS figures enables users to monitor computer environment, measure productivity, study programmers performance and distribute costs accur-

measure productively, study programments stelly, althous no potential measurements at style, althous no potential measurements, plus all DOS-provided data elements, plus job and job-step levels. The user selects the elements at the study, and formats the wants to display, and formats the wants to display, and formats the data at the centrol fields, in either ascending or descending sequence. Totals and subtotal of the DOS statistics can be identified The report system is designed around a series of control cards which are de-scribed as stunyle except cards with are described as studyle companies to governments to governments by several programments to governments.

needed to prepare documen

following the user manual.

The Johnson program is written in BAL and Cobol, and operates on Model 25 or

## larger CPUs using either 2311 or 2314 disk units. The package sells for \$950 from Westgate Research Park, 22101. **PDP-15 Given Business Routines**

MAYNARD, Mass. - Users of the meitium scale PDP-15 can program business
applications in Fortran, through a pack-

m DEC routines are CALLed from the Ine suoroutines are CALLER from the user's Fortran program to provide formatting, editing and manipulation of strings of data, capabilities that are swkward to handle in normal Fortran coding. An editing routine, for example, lets the user insert commas, dollar signs and blanks, which are not recognized by Fortran's 64-character code but which are rtran's 64-character code but which are checks and involces.

The editing mask to be used is entered as one of the parameters in the subrouas one of the parameters in the subrou-tine CALL, a DEC spokesman said.

A series of code conversion routines lets the user manipulate and pack data more efficiently than he could with standard Fortran statements. Another series lets the user do all his arithmetic with integer or decimal numbers, in field lengths that

The subroutine package is designed to be used with DEC's Batch-15 systems which are structured around the PDP-15 CPU, DEC said.

#### DOS-to-OS Conversion Facilitated By Remote Batch 360/85 Access

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. — Users planning to convert from DOS to OS operations can avoid recompilation delays by using the remote batch services of EDP Resources Inc.

Accessing a 360/85 through a local phone call to branch offices, users can run DOS programs under OS with no program conversion. Full OS file management features are available to users.

With the EDP Resources service OS and DOS can be intermixed in the same job stream. DOS compilers supported include Cobol, Ansi Cobol, PLI/I Fortran, and RPG. DOS Sort and utility programs can also be run. Charges for the service depend on usage and storage requirements. The tirms is at 1 North Broadway, 10601.

#### Shampugh' Reads Bad Tapes

BURNABY, British Columbia - Faced with bad data records generated on Hewlett-Packard magnetic tapes, programmers at Simon Fraser University computing center

The Slightly Heritical Access Method Processes Unread-able Garbage into Hollerith (Shampugh) program is de-scribed by the center as a relatively simple IBM 360 utility that reads but daps and produces a clean copy. Garbage records are not carried over to the output tape.

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#### May Set Precedent **Users Challenge Metered Rates**

By Ronald A. Frank SAN FRANCISCO - Data users are gearing up to challenge a proposal here that would put a taxi meter on all intrastate

shone calls used for data.

The California Public Utilities

The California Public Utilities Commission (PUC) has sched-uled a conference for August 4 to set hearings on the "Data Exchange Service" proposal and determine the scope of testi-mony that will be accepted from users. Hearings could begin in At issue is a PUC staff report

At issue is a PUC staff report which recommends all non-voice calls be charged on a measured rate basis. Such calls are pres-ently charged at normal business ently charged at normal business line phone rates in most areas. The report originally was issued earlier this year in answer to a rate increase request from to a rate increase request from Pacific Telephone and Telegraph

During hearings then, the controversial report was set aside for separate consideration because of the concern shown by data

isers. The basis for the PUC staff recommendation apparently is a study conducted by Pacific Tele-

phone in 1970. The study of the Palo Alto telephone central of-fice found that local Bell facil-ities were "seriously overloaded due to computer access lines," according to the PUC staff re

port.
Data users are concerned that

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the measured rate propo wins approval it would single out data users for higher phone rates. Although the upcoming es will apply only to intraornia, a PUC decision could set a precedent for other areas.

precedent for other areas.

All data users who would be affected by the measured rate proposal should notify the commission that they plan to attend the prehearing conference by July 23, according to a PUC spokespear.

spokesman. More than 20 complaints were received when the report was

Itrst issued.

Among the users expected to appear are General Electric, Comshare, Adapso and possibly the California Retailers Associa-

### State Rulings Predicted For Specialized Carriers

TOPEKA, Kan. - The recent Federal Communications Com-mission decision allowing competition between the existing and new specialized carriers did little to settle related intrastate issues, according to F. Mark Gar-linghouse AT&T vice-president. Speaking at a meeting of regu-latory commissioners here, Garlinghouse predicted that the various state regulatory agencies will have to decide what intra-state services are to be provided by the specialized carriers and on what terms. The state regulators will also have to determine what prices the Bell System will charge in order to compete, he

Garlinghouse said that in order Garlinghouse said that in order for Bell to compete with the new carriers, it will have to abandon its policy of national average pricing and charge ac-

cording to the costs for each route, "That would mean lower prices between large cities and higher prices between small cities," he said.

If the state regulatory agencies require Bell to maintain its average pricing then the poten-tial loss of profits on the competitive routes will have to be made up by higher rates for all users he said.

only if Bell is allowed to drop its prices, he said. "We are going to have to set our prices have to set our prices more closely to costs [but not below] because that would be unfair to our competitors," he said.

AT&T is currently considering, according to Garlinghouse, in-creased charges to users who make heavy use of telephone equipment.

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#### Package Uses Hazeltine 2000

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is better than 2% peak to peak and
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Four Corp. Four Corp.

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have the same central processor with 8K bytes of memory and a 2.1 Mbvte disk

memory.

The 300 system uses an interactive accounting machine terminal, while the 350 has a video display terminal and a medium-speed (60 line/min, 132 char/line) printer.

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e time-sharing systems, the 400 and are time-snaring systems, the 400 and the 500, accommodate up to four or eight terminals, respectively. The ter-minals can be any combination of ac-counting machines and video displays. Basic prices with one terminal are \$22,900 for the 400 and \$30,900 for the

nory can store either 2.1 The disk memory can store either 2.1.

Mbytes of 4.2 Mbytes on two disks, one fixed and the other in a removable cartridge. There are four reading heads, and average access time is 70 msec.

A 300 line/min printer is also available as is a magnetic tape transport. Punched tape and punched card equipment and

Forbus, like Basic/Four a subsidiary of Management Assistance, Inc., does the maintenance on the system. Some software is included in the price, but specified more ramming or training is unbundled.

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The programming language is Basic.

ample, is highly competitive. A simple 3/6 with an 8K core memory and 2.4 Mbytes of disk sells for \$63,020 with the 5213 printer and without any program products. The 300 with an 8K memory and a 2.1 Mbyte disk sells for \$23,900.

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with Basic,
Deliveries of the systems should begin in July, and Basic/Four is quoting delivery times of 60 to 90 days. Basic/Four Corp. is at 1335 S. Claudina St., 92801.

## IBM Timings Show 3330 Disks Best Suited for Large Files

By Michael Merritt
CW Staff Writer
LIDINGO, Sweden - Using an IBM
3330 disk file may enable users to run
programs in one-third the time now required with 2314s, or it may save them practically no time at all, depending on the size of the data set being processed. For large amounts of data with long individual records, the 3330 is a winner.

For small jobs, its extra power is wasted. These conclusions can be made from a manual of program timings calculated by the IBM Nordic Laboratory and con-

ed empirically on actual machines in Jose. The calculations are for the firmed emperations. The calculations are 101 mms sorting half of a sort/merge program, sorting half of a sorting h

IBM'S 7/54-SM-1.
The estimates are for 360/30s, 40s, 50s, 65s, 75s, and for the 370/155, and include figures for different memory sizes for these machines. There are timings for execution using the 2400 and 2420 tape

drives, and the 2311 and 2314 disks. Only the timings for the 155 include figures for the 3330.

figures for the 3330. One interesting conclusion of the timings is that more equipment does not mean faster execution at all. The more memory devices that have to be used as work areas, the longer it takes to do the sort. In one case, for example, using four 3330s means an execution time of 6.2 minutes; if you have to use eight, the time goes up to 7.6 minutes.

Because of this, one 2311 can often give users execution times equal to those achieved by using four 3330s, and in one case, at least, faster than those gained by using four 2314s. This condition appli only to small data sets of short records in this case a total of 2,000 records 20

characters long. When it comes to large as though, the 3330 is clearly superior. With a record size of 500 characters, and a data set of 25,000 records, four 2311s take 24 minutes to do the sort, four 2314s take 17 minutes, and four 3330s do it in 10 minutes, on a 155 with 44K.

On a 155 with 200K, the same s takes four 2311s 11 minutes, four 2314s 6.5 minutes, and four 3330s 3.6 minutes. 6.5 minutes, and four 3330s 3.6 minutes. The largest amount of data four 2311s can manage on this computer is 42,000 500-character sets, while four 2314s can handle up to 168,000 of them, and four 3330s almost 600,000.

In the largest sort in the tables, again on a 155 with 200K, six 3330s sorted 300,000, 500 character fields in 49 minutes; six 2314s took 156 minutes (over three times as long) to do the same job.

three times as long) to do the same job.

The 103 pages of timings cover a number of different equipment combinations, and include calculated maximum data set size. The calculations are based on the assumption that records in the input data set are in random order. The manual is available from IBM branch offices.

#### Terminals Undersell IBM by 10%

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price about 10% lower than 18M's, de-pending on configuration.

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Standard character generation is 64 character Ascii. A 9 by 14 filled stroke matrix provides perfectly formed characters the company said.

ters, the company said.

Options include format and editing capability, split screen, remote displays,

lower case, blink, magnetic tape and hard copy output, and a polling interface for

The 740 requires no changes in stan-dard or Qtam software, according to the

firm.

There are 27 varieties of terminals, depending on display configuration. Purchase prices for non-volume orders range from \$1,900 for a 4 by 32 display, to \$3,900 for a 30 by 80 display. The 730 for a 30 by 80 display. polling controller price ranges from \$3,000 for a four terminal unit to \$4,200 for 16 term

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basis.

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totals. A line printer is also available for creation of reports on-site. When the terminals are not being used for data-entry, they can be utilized as small minicomputers with core memory sizes from 2K to 4K. Executive provides most software for the system as well as

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March, 1972. The 80 colu The 80 column version sells for \$18,000 and the 132 column model for \$22,000. and the 132 column model for \$22,000. Interfaces to computers cost about \$4,000. The Path 1200 is made by Uppster Corp., 73 Southfield Ave., 06902.

on a one-year lease. Reports cost 30 cents per statement and 25 cents for each insurance form.

insurance form.

Computer Terminal Corp. rents a 2K
Datapoint 2200 for \$148/mo.
Installations of the system have already
begun, Executive is at 805 S. San Fernando Rd., 91505.

#### Wabash Disk Control Designed for PDP-8e

PHOENIX, Ariz. - A disk memory con-troller from Wabash Computer Corp. is designed specifically for the DEC PDP-8c. The Model DMC-600/8e handles up to four disk memories and offers plug-to-plug compatible interfacing. The interface board requires one slot in the Omnibus and provides a one-cycle data break and bus signal buffering for signals to the controller.

The controller is designed to facilitate The controller is designed to facilitate modular expansion of on-line memory using the firm's Disc Memo series. It operates at a bit rate from 1.9 to 2.34 MHz. Control is provided for up to 40

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#### Mini Boom Seen Computers to Pace Process Control Rise

# NEW YORK — The total process con-trol market should grow at a rate of 7.5% yearly through 1978, but the computer portion should show a 15% increase during the same time span, according to Frost and Sultivan Inc. here.

The total process control market will be valued at a shade over \$2 billion in 1978,

the study shows, up from just under \$1 billion in 1968. During the same time the computer portion of process control

systems will rise from \$91 million to

#### Mini Use Up

The use of minicomputers in the sys-tems will grow even faster than the total digital process control computer market. Mini systems accounted for 8.8% of the total computer sales in 1968, but this will jump to 18.9% by 1973 and 31.1% for

control market by 1978, the study pre-

The analytical instrument portion of the The analytical instrument portion of the total process control system is expected to show the next largest growth rate behind the computer segment, with an

average growth rate of 11.3%.

Sales of digital process control com Sales of digital process control com-puters will be heaviest to the chemical industry in the naxt 8 years the study shows. The chemical industry purchased 20% of the computers used in 1968 and will account for 31% of the sales by

#### Power Use Down

The electrical power industry accounted for the largest portion of the sales in 1968 with 25% but will only account for 15% of the market in 1978, according to

the study. Close competitors in terms of the per-cent of the market will include the metals industry and the petroleum industry, followed by paper; stone, clay and glass firms; and the oil and gas companies.

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The Computer Lessors Association has established a legal action committee "in response to 19M's recent marketing tactics, which appear to raise anti-trust questions," according to James F. Benton, executive director.

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Future plans call for the committee to work with the U.S. Justice Department and others who have filed antitrust suits against IBM. In addition, it will consider legal action to protect the interests of its

trade with mainland China to take up some of the slack in the domestic market, had better take another look.

had better take another took. While most minicomputers can be of-fered in configurations under the 2,048 bit maximum memory most usually given as the limiting factor for general trade license for shipments for China, there are several other limitations that come into

play.

For example, according to regulation 714.5 of the Export Control Act, American firms could not export — without special license — "digital computers and statistical machines used in conjunction with punched cards or tape operated by one or more common control units, and capable of all of the following:

'A) Accepting, storing, proces producing an output in numerical or alphabetical form;

alphabetical form;

"B) Storing more than \$12 numerical or alphabetical character or having a memory of more than 2,048 bits;

"C) Performing a stored sequence of operations that are modifiable by means other than a physical change in circuitry,

other than a physical change in circuity, and
"D) Selecting a sequence from a plurality of stored operations based on data or internally compiled results."
Even stripped down systems, that could be expanded to larger memory sizes,

would be barred from trade.

In addition, the Export Control Office said that memory modules would not be an item that could be traded under the



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systems test on 145 before the delivery.

#### **Western Firms Predicting Better Year**

By E. Drake Lundell Jr.

CW Computer Industry Editor
The view from the West Coast is defin

The view from the West Coast is defin-itely up in sharp contrast to the same period a year ago when "gloom and doom" talk pervaded most discussions in Texas and California industrial centers. And the view of the OEM houses is especially bullish now that at least a mini-rally appears to be underway in the

business.
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Group where they have recorded a
profit in each of the last IT quarter even
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Equipment Corp. (PEC) but is now a holding company for PEC and other firms, traditional OEM customers are

#### On The Road

coming back into the market, acto Stuart P. Mabond, execut to Stuart P. Mabond, executive vice-president. The firm want'h burt by the slump in traditional customers last year because the boom in the key to disk business took up the slack caused by a slowdown of orders in other area. The key to disk market was also a significant contributor to Century Data Systems OEM business in the past year, according to Marketing Manager William

Sewalk.

At the same time, Sewalk said that while there has been some pickup in the OEM business, the "overall market is not coming back" and that the number of disk drives sold is not on the increase.

There should not be any significant change in the business before the end of the year or beginning of next year, he said. Sewalk indicated that many of the meditional OEM customers have let their customers and the said sewalk indicated that many of the said. Sewalk indicated that many of the said. Sewalk indicated that many of the said with the said that the said

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According to Eugene Prince, Ampex Computer Products vice-president and general namager, the main action now in the OEM field is in core stack, which is the mine action now in the mine of the other market showing a turnaround is in the owe performance used drive stars, aspectated with the other of the other of the other of the other of the other o

The third area showing improvement, Prince said, is new core systems products.

#### **IBM** Replays Tape Tests

gineers are using the instant re-play technique developed for television sports coverses television sports coverage to test computer tape units produced

#### Railroads Add Seven Systems in Six Months

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The number of computers in use by American railroads increased from 243 to 250 in the first six months of 1971, according to the Association of American Railroads here.

IBM led with 94% of the total installations, RCA (6.5%), fol-lowed by Univac (3.7%) and GE (3.5%). Other manufacturers with installations in the field included Collins, Honeywell and NCR, in that order.

by the firm's laboratories here. During a test, the tape subsystem is linked to a video disk recorder through a transient events analyzer. If the analyzer detects an error, it interrupts the data flow from the subsystem and stops the video recorder, perserving on disk the signals as they appeared during the error condition.

On command, the captured waveforms are replayed repetitively into a storage oscilloscope. A parallel timing track is used to synchronize the signals during playback and to compensate for variations in disk velocity.

In the system, the revolving video disk utilizies destructive writing to retain several milliseconds of signal patterns on as many as 32 channels, the engineers said.

#### Expansions

A \$1.5-million data processing center serving financial institutions in the northern New Jersey, New York and Philadelphia areas has begun operations in Princeton, N.J.
Called the NCR Metropolitan Data Center, the new facility is NCR's 11th data center in the U.S. and Canada.

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The newest center is located in a recently completed 20,000-sq ft building on a 5-acre site on the Old Trenton Road.

Surety Life Insurance Co., Salt Lake City, Utah, formed a separ-ate computer division – Surety Computer Services – for systems consulting, contract program-ming and machine time services. Extrex, Inc. has moved to new headquarters at 168 Middlesex Turnpike, Burlington, Mass. The 30,000 sq ft facility will house administrative, corporate manufacturing operations.

Control Data Corp. has opened a new DP center at 700 Penn Center Blvd., in the Monroeville area of Pittsburgh.

Ovonic Memories, Inc. has moved to its new 25,000 sq ft facility adjacent to Los Angeles International Airport. Cincom Systems, Inc. of Cin-

cinnati, Ohio, has opened sales-service offices in Palo Alto, Calif. and Toronto, Canada. General Electric Co. expanded

its international time-sharing ser-vices network to Puerto Rico.

A new data center has been established in Mount Laurel In-dustrial Park near Philadelphia by the Data Services Division of GTE Information Systems Inc.

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#### Litton ABS Serial Printer, Card Reader Designed for OEM Use

mated Business Systems has announced its Model 34 serial impact printer and the Model 64 optical card reader.

is Model 34 serial impact printer and the Model 64 optical card reader.

The Model 34 operates at up to 35 char/sec using an interchangeable 96 character Ascil code moving print wheel.

The printer has up to 192 print posi-

#### New OEM Products

tions and tabs at 350 char/sec or 35 in./sec in either direction. The printer has helf line as well as full line spacing. Model 34 is available without keyboard for \$2,200; control electronics cost \$995 nd the separate numeric keyboard costs

3340. The optical card reader reads pencil and pen marks, black printed marks, keystroke edge notching and Hollerith or other punched holes, singly or mixed on one card. Its speed is 2 card/see with automatic demand feed of variable length documents from 3-1/4 to 8-1/2 in wide and from 9-1/2 to 10-1/8 in. long.

Model 64 features an internally stored program and has two output stackers. The 64 interfaces to teletypewriters, mag-netic tape, communications terminals netic tape, communications terminals, printer, Litton ABS/124 computer and

printer, Litton ABS/124 computer and 029 keypunch. Single unit price is \$6,400 from the firm at 600 Washington Ave., 07072.

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#### Displaytek Has Thermal Print Head

DALLAS - A thermal print head featuring silent operation has been developed by Displaytek Corp. The DC-1157 also features drive circuits and printing ele-ments integrated on a single silicon chip and can incorporate decode circuitry in the same package.

The unit has a silicon-integrated circuit

and unit has a sticon-integrated circuit with a five by seven matrix of dots formed by semiconductor elements. The dots can be heated in patterns to form any of the 96 standard Ascii code characany of the 96 standard Asci code charac-ters. The dots require only 4 to 10 msec to heat, and can achieve a print rate of up to 60 char/sec.

The print head operates from 16 V, and

each dot requires an average current of

Prices on the DC-1157 range from \$50 to \$65 apiece for annual quantities of 500 to 1000 units to \$20 to \$30 apiece for annual quantities of 10,000 or more from the company at 4241 Sigma Road.

#### Multi-Channel Power Supply

SANTA MONICA, Calif. - Pioneer Mag-netics' light-weight power supply is de-

signed for small to medium size computer systems and peripherals.

The standard unit operates over an input voltage range of 105-135 Vac, 47 to 2000 Hz, and is available with output outges from 4 to 50 Vdc and output currents to 60 A. Operation is independent of input power frequency, according to the firm at 1745 Berkeley St., 90404.

#### MOS Encoded Keyboards Bow

MUS Encoded Reypostrat Bow KIMBALI, Neb. — MOS encoded key-boards with standard 47, 56- and 73-key configurations from George Risk Industries, Inc. include Ascii 9 bits plus strobe, odd and even parity, electronic lockout, quad mode of operation and TIL/DTI. compatibility. The 47-key unit, Model 647, will sell for about \$88 in iel 647, will sell for about \$88 in ntities from the firm at P.O. Box 1035, 69145.





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# Fastran Proposal Boosts DP-Based Security Clearance

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Com-WASHINGTON, D.C. - Computer-based scurities clearance received another boost recently when Robert R. Maller proposed a Fast and Safe Security Transaction System (Fastran) in testimony here before the Securities and Exchange Commission Conference on the Future Role of the Stock Certificate.

the Stock Certificate.
The system proposed by the senior vice-president of the U.S. Trust Co. would employ a dual network of integrated computers in a true level hierarchy and would be established as feed would be estab

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and containing all the informa-tional and historical records that should be kept within the sys-

tem.
"Purchases and sales would continue to be carried out through normal channels - the exchanges, over the counter, third markets, etc. Each party to the nearest terminal, with proper indentification. The trade would

nicated to the minibe communicated to the mini-mum level possible.
"It both parties to the trade were within a single zone, the zone computers would perform the comparisons; trades within a region would be handled on a

Financial

regional basis; trades between two regions would be compared and verified by the primary level computers," Maller said.
"The network would be used to wrifty the holdings to the on-time records of the transfer agent. In the event of a differ-ence, after the extension of each of the trades and an attempt at comparison, an exception mes-sage would be communicated to both parties.

both parties.
"The time interval between inputting, -verification and comparison, of course, would have
to be statistically set, and a
specific time interval established
for reporting exceptions," he
said.

#### Hospitals, Data Communications Seen Best Investment Opportunities

Oy a CW Staff Writer
NEW YORK - The two most
significant and attractive areas
for investment in the 1970s will
be the specialized data communbe the specialized data communications common carriers and the hospital industry, especially data processing for hospital applications, according to A. Brean Murray, president of Coenen &

Murray, president of Coenen & Co., Inc.
"If you put the hospital market and data communications together, they represent 10% of the GNP – hospital care is 6%

#### National CSS Shows Three-Month Profit

STAMFORD, Conn. - National CSS, Inc.'s revenues during the first three-months amounted to \$2.5 million, up 74% over \$1.5 million of the same period a year

Pretax profits reached \$98,026 or 9 cents per share, compared with a loss of \$663,379 in the same period a year earlier. and data communications is 4%—and there will be some unusual investment oppor-tunities available in this field,"

he said. Presently, Murray said, "we are Presently, Murray said, "we are experiencing an important change in these industries, and this change is being brought about by the emergence of the specialized common carriers. The example of the specialized common carriers the information systems will be the ahared systems. These will expend rapidly because of the "fluence of Medicare." "Up until now, most of the

Up until now, most of the hospitals in the country have been run on a very antiquated basis by non-professional man-agement which has not properly identified costs," Murray con-

tinued.
"But the government will no "But the government will no longer accept just a simple bill. It will want to see a breakdown in costs and that is where shared systems will be needed," he said.

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IBM's done it again – the regular quarterly cash dividend of \$1.30 per share of common stock will be payable Sept. 10 to holders of record Aug. 12.

Business is good in educa-tion — at least for Advanced Systems, line, which doubted last year's totals in the fiscal year ended March 31. The totals were income of \$436,577 (17 cents a share) on revenues of \$2.8 million in the latest year. At the end of the year there were more than 800 customers for the firm's video tape training courses in DP. firm's video courses in DP.

Merger ennouncements in the second quarter reached 1,039, down 21% from the same period in 1970, accord-ing to W.T. Grimm & Co. For the first six months the total (2,189) was off 19%. There was a substential increase in the sales of divisions, howthe sales of divisions, how-ever, especially in the com-puter service area, where 60% of the transactions were spin-offs and divestments.

Date 100 Corp. has made three moves in the financial same. First, this amounced an agreement whereby Combine Leaving Corp. will consider Leaving Division of Pepsido. Leaving Corp. will 1972, with Heizer Corp. garateing the risk of owning the equipment in exchange chapter of the complete of any term dotte consideration. Secondly, the firm completed a ong term dotte consideration. Secondly, the firm completed a ong term dotte consideration of the complete of t finally, the firm and a group of three banks extended a \$2 million revolving credit agree-ment by one year to July 31,

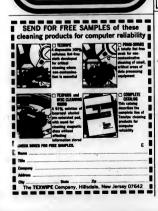
American Registal Corp. plans a prive placement of up to 250,00° shares of com-mon stock at 36 per share. If all shares are sold there will be 696,105 shares outstand-ing. The firm had a loss of should be shared to the shared of around \$300,000.

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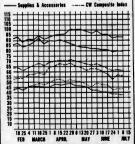
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Year Ended March 31 1971 1970 Revenue 816,625,001 17,355,917 Specitiem 65,300,000 b334,715 Earnings (6,350,925) c642,446 &Based on income before special credit. c-Cqual to 22 cents a share. d-Debit; from discontinued operations, b-Credit tax benefits.

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NAT'L DATA COMMUNICATIONS
Six Months Ended April 370
Shr Ernd
Revenue 6,071,099 \$2,336,911
Etrnlings (Loss) 338,491 (1,864,881)

DATA INSTRUMENTS
Three Months Ended March 31
1971 1970
Revenue \$22,315 461,72
a. Reporting of income from sale deferred pending completion of acceptance periods

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Year Ended April 30

Shr Ernd 84.01

Revenue 678,438 \$449,669

Tex Cred 1,665

Shr Ernd 28-01 1970
Revenue 28-01 28-01 24-05-69
Tex Cred 1.645
Earnings (Loss) 67,413 (100,032)
a-Based on income before tax credit.
b-Equal to one cent a share.

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